

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1691
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2003
SALE OF AZAM JAHIMILL
GUNIPATI RAMAIAH

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to sell properties of Azam Jahi Mill in Warangal Distt. Of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has urged the Union Government not to dispose off the property; and
- (c) if so, the decision taken by Union Government thereto ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a): Yes, Sir. This mill has been found unviable as per Techno Economic Viability study. There has been no production activity in the mill since 1993 and the workers were being paid idle wages. BIFR, after studying the viability, ordered closure of this mill. Accordingly, the mill was closed under ID Act on 31st October 2002 after paying Rs 20.70 cr as VRS to workers. Sale of the land is undertaken as per the BIFR scheme only after due procedure has been followed.

(b)& (c): Yes, Sir. It was decided after due consultation with State Government to assist in creation of a vibrant textile city in the place of the sick / closed textile mill - consisting of a modern Apparel park and a Powerloom cluster. The land of the closed mill would be utilized accordingly.